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Subject: follow-up to call on Monday November 18th RE: Otsego Township Dam Removal Project

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Summary of Monday November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting and current status of Otsego Township Dam Removal Project:

Field sampling: CH2MHill expected to begin field work, including sediment sampling and geotechnical borings, on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

- a. Field work is now expected to begin December 9th and be completed by December
- b. GP has requested to collect split sediment samples; Hill/EPA will be coordinating with GP to accommodate the split-sampling request.
- Field sampling follow-up meeting: I had originally proposed a meeting sometime between December 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> with the group to discuss the status of the field work effort. Due to schedule conflicts, etc., I now expect to meet only with Mark Mills, DNR, Luke Trumble, DEQ, and CH2MHill to discuss the completed field work. Following this meeting, I will provide a status update to the group.

## 3. Conceptual Alternatives Development meeting:

- a. GP indicated that it did not need water control provisions in the proposed structure to complete sediment work upstream of the dam, therefore, the conceptual alternative evaluated by CH2MHILL will not include water control provisions.
- b. I had requested that the group hold January 23<sup>rd</sup>, with January 30<sup>th</sup> as the contingency date, for a meeting to discuss the conceptual alternative. I am now requesting that everyone hold only January 23<sup>rd</sup> as a firm date <u>and am eliminatina</u> the January 30th contingency date; EPA cannot meet on January 30<sup>th</sup>.

The Conceptual Alternatives Development meeting will be held Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at the DNR Plainwell office 9 am - 12 pm eastern.

Please let me know if you have any comments/concerns. Thanks.

Happy Thanksgiving.

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